

# **Session II :**

## **An Ecosystem Approach to Assessment ;**

### **Goals & Objectives , Endpoints & Measures**

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# Session Goal

Provide a broad survey of the various approaches used to plan critical ecosystem assessments .

Facilitate the cross fertilization of ideas and approaches .

# Approach To Session

Internal “Panelists” followed by an external speaker.

Panelists :

- Bare bones stories ;
- Lion’s share for **interactive discussion** .



External speaker :

- Fuller story followed by **interactive discussion** .

All :

- Address some basic planning questions .

# The Questions To Be Addressed

- 1) What were the **goal(s)** and **objective(s)** of your assessment and how did you identify or determine them (i.e., what was the purpose of your assessment)?
- 2) What was the **scope**, **scale**, and **conceptual model** for your assessment and how did you determine them?
- 3) What assessment **endpoints** and **measures** did you use for your assessment and how did you select or identify them?
- 4) Was there a **connection** between the selection of the endpoints and the assessment results? What was the connection?
- 5) What were the **results** of your assessment?